

# **EXHIBIT A**



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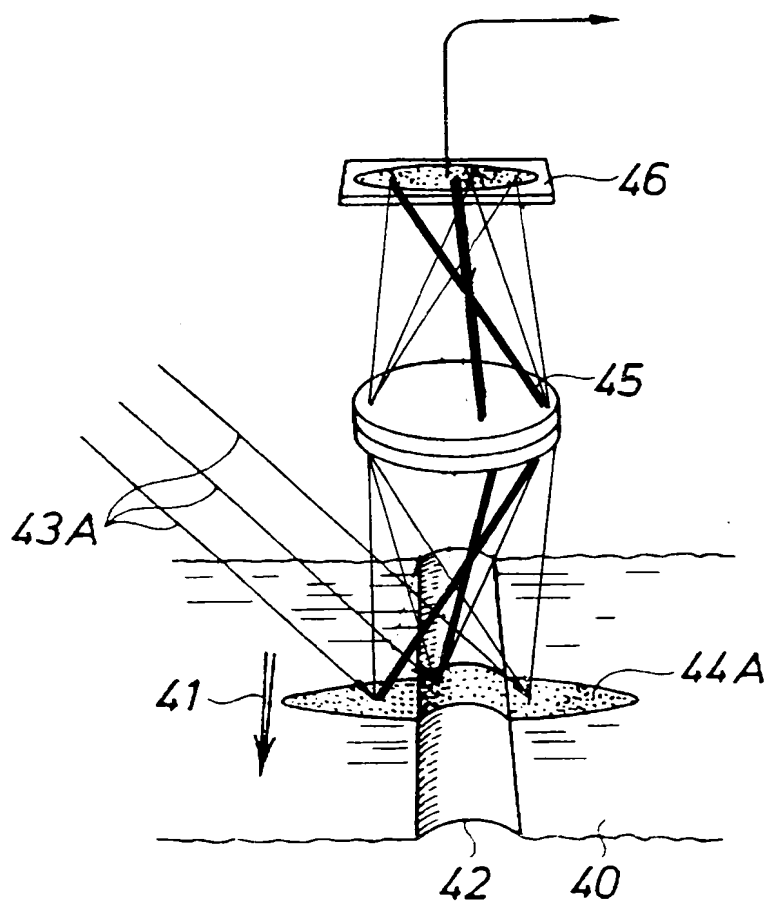


FIG. 8



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FIG. 9

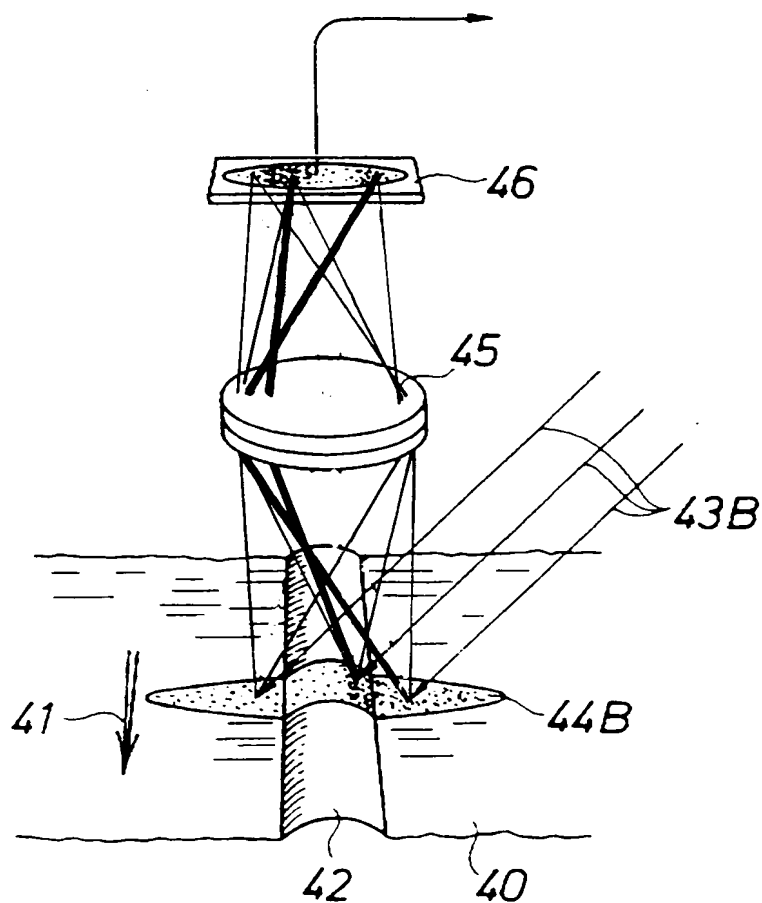


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